(c) MPLADS guideline,, ha v. revised recently in February, 1997 which allow procurement of hospital equi'J)-I ments like X-ray machines, ambulances anj other life-saving equipments and set'ing up of mobile dispensaries in rura] areas. The works recommended under *the* Scheme shall $b_e$ developmental in nature and for creation of durable assets. Revenue expedifure is prohibited under ihe Scheme. The concerned Hon'ble Members of Parliament may recommend such items of work lis they coos and appropriate, within the MPLADS guidelines to District Collector. Amrci-

**IiiFras'nicturt' equalisation in the North-East**

526". SHRI W. ANC.OU SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to Mate:

I a» whether Government have any plan to include the North-Eastern region, ( heir infrastructure, equalisation, in the Ninth Five Year Plan:

lb) in which items of Man formulation. Government are going stress for the socio-economic development of this and

Ic) the measures to be taken for resource mobilisation of ..this n'gion?

THE MINISTER OE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMI"
MATI RATNAMALA DEHARESHWAR SAVANQQR) (a) m re pact of the Noi-h-E istern Region, (h,. approach to Ninth Five-Year Plan envisage^ that attention will be foctissed on

in thi$_s$ Region in terms of infrastructure so that efforts could be made to hi idge U uppor-tive measure! to enable this Region to the mainstream of the economic development of 'he country this

through the I ive-Yeau ' of the S. ' the Central Minifies' ie,

The announcement ,.of the forner Minjitei nadc at Guwabtti on '

27, 1996 regarding "New Initiatives for the North-Eastern Region", which includes a number of projects for infrastructure development $_{to}$ be executed on a priority basis, is a step in this direction. In pursuance of this announcement, a High Level Commission IHLC) was alio set up to critically examine the backlog in Basic Minimum Services (BMS) and gaps in important sectors of infrasiiixyire development in this Region and to suggest policies, programmes and requirement of funds to bridge they gaps. The Report of tbe HLC. which was submitted on March 7, 1997. contains a large number of recommendations for development of various sector$_s$ including infrastructure in respect of each State of the North Eastern Region.

(h) Jn addition to meeting cr|l ictural needs. development pro grammes for the North-Eastern State* would aim at provision of BMS, which include housing for shelterless poor, rural connectivity, safe drinking water supply. elementary education, primary health care. Tiuirition and public distribution system, and creation of employment op-portunities, besides promoting elforu /awards 'and and water management, Etc

tc) Planning CommusioQ has been tern States to reduce their non-Pl.,n expenditure and to widen their tax and non-tax base for generating addtional resources to finance development programmes. Tbe HLC, while mending measures for reiuxenaunf the economy of the Region, has aly> made some suggestions f$^{or}$ additional re«Oura» mobilisation by the North-EsMern Statea

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*327. श्री ईश्वर सिंह यादव :
श्री रामगोपाल यादव :

क्या प्रधानमंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार अपने काम-काज में पारदर्शिता सुनिश्चित करने तथा सूचना